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RESPONSE

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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action dated May 29, 2003, designated as Paper No. 7 in the above-captioned application, the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement identifying the following groups of claims as being drawn to potentially distinct inventions:

Group I. Claims 1 – 14, 30-42, drawn to a optical device and method of making the optical device, classified in class 359, subclass 350;

Group II. Claims 15 – 29, drawn to a photolithography system, classified in class 355, subclass 18.

Group III. Claims 43 – 55, drawn to a method for making a semiconductor, classified in class 430, subclass 311.

Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-14, 30-42, without traverse.

Applicants hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge to the deposit account of the undersigned Deposit Account 03-3325.

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